



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Overlook Trail Accessibility Improvements

LOCATION: Emerald Bay State Park

COUNTY: El Dorado

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Improve existing facilities at Emerald Bay State Park to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and meet requirements in the "California State Parks Accessibility Guidelines." Work will:

- Excavate approximately 32 cubic feet of material to install footings and import rock to build the approximately 1.5' wide by 3' tall by 700' long rock retaining wall(s).
- Use hand tools to remove vegetation and up to 10 trees (mixture of firs and pines), excavate up to 6" deep by 4' wide, and add an aggregate/soil mix to re-route approximately 700 linear feet of trail.
- Import approximately 54 cubic yards of rock to build a 650 linear foot non-structural rock wall approximately 1.5' wide and 1.5' tall on the uphill side of the trail to prevent uphill slope soil migration onto the trail surface.
- Excavate a 225 ft² area up to 6" deep and add aggregate/soil mix to reconstruct an existing overlook area and install one bench.
- Excavate up to 8" to de-compact approximately 6625 ft² of decommissioned trail.
- Use vegetation and trees cut from the reroute to block off the old alignment.
- Excavate to install two 4" by 4" wooden posts and install information sign.
- Install and anchor a 2' wide by 4' long bike rack at the trail head.
- Excavate up to 6" deep by approximately 484 ft² area and pour concrete to install an accessible parking space at the trailhead parking lot.
- Excavate an area approximately 650' long by 1' wide and 6" deep, approximately 12 cubic yards, and import approximately 24 cubic yards of aggregate/soil mix to build an elevate trail to allow proper drainage.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Acquisition and Development


EXEMPT STATUS: ☒ Categorical Exemption Classes: 1, 3, 4 Sections: 15301, 15303, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public structures and facilities involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels included as "modification of existing facilities for handicap access" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4, the construction and location of limited numbers of new small facilities and the minor alteration in the condition of land that does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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